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Excise Police Search Store for Counterfeit Shoes

NEW ALBANY, Ind. (Aug. 21) – The Indiana State Excise Police officers executed a search warrant at a New Albany store this afternoon looking for counterfeit shoes.

Excise officers seized 84 pairs of counterfeit Nike shoes, seven counterfeit NBA hats, \$65,059.00 in cash and various documents at Zack's Food Mart, 1223 Bono Road, New Albany.

Officers worked with Nike Corporation's North America Brand Protection unit over the past week on their investigation.

"Often the regulatory responsibilities of the state excise police lead to other types of suspected criminal activities," Superintendent Matt Strittmatter said. "Our officers will continue to investigate thoroughly any suspected criminal activities that they uncover during their routine inspections of alcohol and tobacco businesses."

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related violations.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.